



STATE OF TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE RESIDENTIAL PIER REQUIREMENTS

Structures will be designed and constructed to avoid locating them over existing marshes, oyster reefs, or seagrass vegetation to the greatest extent possible. If avoidance is not possible, the structures will be constructed in a manner to minimally impact vegetation and reef habitat. Mitigation and/or compensation may be required for impacts to natural resources.

Additional boatlifts, boathouses, and oversized personal watercraft slips will require additional rent and may be subject to approval by the School Land Board.

- Only one pier with normal appurtenances will be allowed to extend from any given parcel of littoral property.
- Piers, docks, and watercraft storage facilities shall extend perpendicular from a point on the shoreline which is not less than ten feet from the adjacent littoral owner's property line.
- Walkways may not exceed 4' in width unless supporting documents are submitted showing a demonstrated need.
- Terminal Structures (ex. T-head/L-head) are limited to a maximum of 300 square feet over *unvegetated* areas, and 160 square feet over *vegetated* areas.
- Watercraft Storage Facilities (lifts, slips, hoists, shelters, etc.) are limited to a maximum width of 20 feet including accessory walkways; double lifts, slips, hoists, etc. are limited to a width of 40 feet including accessory walkways. Additional rent may apply for multiple watercraft storage facilities extending from any given parcel of littoral property.
- Personal Watercraft Slips (including ramps/platforms) cannot exceed a combined area of 120 square feet.
- Watercraft Storage Facilities must have a water depth of at least 3' HWM.
- Living quarters, toilets, fuel dispensing, enclosed buildings, or sanitary pump facilities are not allowed.
- Non-water dependent objects may not permanently be located on structures over State Land.

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